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> METHODS TO VERIFY THE **EFFICIENCY** OF **SAMPLE** PREPARATION AND NUCLEIC ACID AMPLIFICATION AND/OR

DETECTION

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 9, 2007, kindly enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.